1 IGF 2022 at a Glance

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                               ● Avoiding Internet Fragmentation  
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2 IGF 2022 Introduction

The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) is a global multistakeholder platform that brings stakeholders together to discuss public policy issues related to the Internet. The forum is convened by the United Nations Secretary-General, in line with the mandate set out in paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society. The IGF’s mandate was renewed in 2015 for 10 years.

In 2022, the forum held its 17th annual meeting in a hybrid format, in Addis Ababa and online. Under the overarching theme Internet for a Shared, Sustainable and Resilient Future, the meeting featured discussion on some of the most pressing Internet and digital policy issues, from connectivity and human rights, to Internet fragmentation, cybersecurity and new and emerging technologies. Its thematic structure was closely aligned with the community’s interest and the issues proposed to be tackled in the upcoming Global Digital Compact (GDC).

The IGF 2022 Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG), with members appointed by the UN Secretary-General from all stakeholder groups, supported the planning of the 17th annual IGF meeting. The IGF Leadership Panel met in person for the first time in Addis Ababa to exchange views on approaches to strengthening the Forum and enhancing its visibility.

¹ Preliminary statistics as of 1 December 2022. Final statistics to be published in the next days.
# IGF 2022 Highlights

## Opening Ceremony

The meeting opened with remarks from the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, the United Nations Secretary-General and the Acting Executive-Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA).

“We often hear that the future will be digital, but the future of digital must be human-centred. That ambition is reflected in your theme - building a resilient Internet for a shared sustainable and common future. It is also the motivation behind my proposed Global Digital Compact on an open, free, inclusive and secure digital future for all.”

(United Nations Secretary-General)

“Ethiopia is hugely proud to be the host of the 17th edition of the IGF and the third country on African soil since its maiden launch in 2006... This global multistakeholder platform is a historic event for the host nation of over 120 million people, most of whom are young men and women. Ethiopia as a country has demonstrated its commitment to the same goal by developing its own national digital strategy known as Digital Ethiopia 2025 with a motto digital strategy for inclusive prosperity of Ethiopia”

(Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia)

“IGF presents a vital opportunity to discuss accelerators for digital transformation and bridging the digital divide through coordinated action and advocacy. In this regard, we must not forget where this forum is taking place. On the African continent, only one in three people has access to the Internet.”

(Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa)

## Hybrid IGF

The 17th IGF was held as a fully hybrid meeting, with participants joining onsite, in Addis Ababa, and online. With the overall objective of making participation in the meeting meaningful and inclusive for all attendees, the hybrid format included several features:

- A participating platform through which the meeting discussions were facilitated in an as-equal-as-possible manner for all participants, regardless if they connect to it from the venue or any other part of the world. The platform also meant that speakers/moderators/rapporteurs were able to participate and contribute either online or onsite.
- A 3D Venue was created as an equivalent to the onsite venue. As onsite participants, the online participants also had an opportunity to enter the meeting rooms and connect to the participating platform.
- The IGF Village booths, hosted by over 60 organisations at the venue, had their online equivalents.
- Remote hubs facilitated the participation of those unable to travel.
- Bilateral meetings could also be organised with online participation.
- Networking opportunities also allowed for online participation through digital networking platforms and online connection to physically hosted events.
- New website and mobile app were also made available to support easier navigation of the IGF 2022 content.

## Involvement of UN Agencies

Following last year’s practice, the Forum saw over 45 entities from the UN system involved in the 17th IGF as organisers or speakers in sessions. A high-level UN Open Forum dedicated to how the United Nations system can support digital transformation and the Global Digital Compact engaged senior officials of 11 UN agencies and entities, who discussed the tremendous potential of digital
technologies to boost sustainable development and called for more cooperation across the system.

**Focus on Youth**
To effectively engage youth, a dedicated IGF 2022 Youth Track was designed and implemented throughout the year. In cooperation with the Host Country, all Youth IGF coordinators, as well as international youth-focused organisations designed the track and delivered four capacity development workshops hosted in conjunction with regional IGFs, namely EuroDIG, African IGF, APrIGF and LACIGF, as well as a IGF 2022 Global Youth Summit at the 17th IGF in Addis Ababa. The track focused on unpacking various digital transformation policy aspects and engaged over seven thousand young people.

**Thematic Approach and GDC focus**
The IGF 2022 themes were aligned closely with the priorities outlined in the Secretary-General’s proposed Global Digital Compact, as well as with community inputs received through a traditional public call. The programme’s structure aims to encourage focused discussion that delves more deeply into specific issue areas thereby potentially leading to more focused outcomes.

The five thematic areas are associated with corresponding narratives, policy questions and issues, to help orient session organisers when submitting session proposals.

**Capacity Development**
Throughout 2022, the IGF Secretariat has been engaged in a series of capacity development activities, including organising workshops, providing grants to NRIs, supporting youth engagement and schools of Internet governance, providing travel support for IGF 2022 participants and remote hubs.

Specifically, capacity development included several activities:
- Workshops organised in conjunction with the NRIs, to foster cooperation and develop capacity. Among these, some specifically were organised as part of the youth and parliamentary tracks.
- Training sessions for IGF 2022 session organisers and participants, focused broadly on explaining mechanisms of hybrid participation.
- Newcomers session for orienting first time IGF participants.

The Secretariat also supported capacity development activities delivered by different stakeholders in the IGF ecosystem, such as training for African parliamentarians of the African Union and GIZ or women’s inclusion in IG delivered by several African women-focused organisations including Girlhype Women Who Code.

**Leadership Panel and Follow-up to the Secretary-General’s Our Common Agenda**
Continuous efforts are invested to improve the IGF, in line with its mandate. This also includes responding to the UN Secretary-General’s Roadmap for Digital Cooperation and Our Common Agenda. The Secretary-General appointed the Leadership Panel, as a strategic high-level multistakeholder body. The 15-member Panel met in person for the first time at the 17th annual IGF meeting. Members also met with many other organisations and engaged with the community through an open town hall to gather inputs on needs and expectations which could orient the panel’s work in 2023.

The IGF continues to plan its contribution modality to the Secretary-General’s proposed Global Digital Compact on norms, principles and values. The IGF 2022 Messages, reflecting key takeaways from the forum’s discussions, are expected to constitute input into the GDC.
development process.

In parallel with structural changes, efforts are invested in advancing long-term sustainability of the forum. In this regard, the next host countries are being explored, new partnerships and cooperation mechanisms.

**MAG 2023**

Following the public call for nominations, the Secretary-General appointed eleven new members to its IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group, to plan the 18th annual IGF meeting in 2023. The Chair of the MAG was reappointed. The list of MAG 2023 members and its Chair is available at the IGF website.

**Communications**

Daily bulletins were issued on each IGF day to provide key highlights from the current day and announce the most important activities for the next day. All sessions were streamed and transcribed. The high-level and main sessions were also interpreted to six UN languages.

### 4 Overarching Theme: Resilient Internet for a Shared Sustainable and Common Future

The headline of this year’s Forum is Resilient Internet for a Shared Sustainable and Common Future. This title symbolises the need for an open, strong, safe and reliable Internet that can truly foster a sustainable digital future based on common values and principles.

### 5 Addis Ababa IGF Messages

The Addis Ababa IGF Messages provide a high-level overview for decision-makers of the most current thinking on key Internet governance and digital policy issues. They are sourced directly from almost 300 sessions held during IGF 2022. Session organisers were invited to self-identify key takeaways at the end of their session as input for these messages. A set of draft messages, curated by the IGF Secretariat, are published for community review. The final IGF 2022 Messages will be published as part of the annual meeting’s outcomes.

Addis Ababa IGF Messages are compiled for each of the five themes, available on the IGF website.

### 6 Thematic Focus - IGF Community Sessions

Community-led sessions, including MAG-organised main sessions, as well as sessions organised by hundreds of other stakeholders, were built around the five IGF 2022 themes (selected on the basis of a public call for issues). Stakeholders were invited to submit session proposals under one of the five themes:

- Connecting All People and Safeguarding Human Rights
Over 420 session proposals were reviewed for final adoption into the IGF 2022 programme.

7 IGF 2022 High-Level Leaders Track

Co-organised by the Host Country and UN DESA/IGF Secretariat, the IGF 2022 High-Level Leaders’ Track engaged experts and leaders from all stakeholder groups into discussions on a series of key questions such as access and connectivity, cybersecurity and digital rights. The track saw participation of seventeen ministers and vice-ministers. Overall, sixty-three high level experts took part in the track.

8 IGF 2022 Youth Track

The IGF 2022 Youth Track was composed of four capacity development workshops and a Global Youth Summit, all focused on unpacking digital transformation. It was designed and co-organized by the Youth IGF coordinators, IGF 2022 Host Country, IGF Secretariat and several international youth-focused organisations.

Capacity development workshops
Four capacity development workshops were hosted in conjunction with the regional IGFs (EuroDIG, African IGF, Asia Pacific IGF and Youth Latin American IGF), focusing on particular aspects of digital transformation such as policy challenges, education, AI and cybersecurity.

IGF 2022 Global Youth Summit and Messages from Youth
The four workshops feed into the final activity of the track which is the IGF 2022 Global Youth Summit, as a traditional IGF session which facilitates dialogue between young people and senior stakeholders. Youth from all five regions of the world engaged in a dialogue with senior experts coming from different backgrounds and countries. More details about the IGF 2022 Youth Track and the Summit are available on the dedicated page. All discussions are consolidated in Messages from Youth.

9 IGF 2022 Parliamentary Track

Building on the past years’ experience, the IGF focused on further strengthening its Parliamentary Track, in particular through expanding a set of intersessional activities dedicated to fostering inter-parliamentary dialogue and cooperation on key digital policy issues. With the IGF 2022 meeting scheduled to be held in Ethiopia, the focus was placed on engagement with parliaments and parliamentarians on the African continent. Below is an overview of activities undertaken in 2022.
**Digital Policy Symposium for Parliamentarians across Africa**

On 18–19 July 2022, 30 parliamentarians from 20 African countries got together in a dedicated digital policy symposium to discuss challenges and opportunities related to the digital economy and society and explore their role in shaping an inclusive and human-centric digital future. The two-day event was held in the context of the annual meeting of the Africa Internet Governance Forum (AfIGF) and also marked the launch of the African Parliamentary Network on Internet Governance (APNIG). The discussions are summarised in an output document.

**Parliamentary Track at IGF 2022**

During the IGF meeting in Addis, over 80 parliamentarians from more than 35 countries, as well as the European Parliament and the Pan-African Parliament, got together on site and online to exchange experiences and interact with other stakeholders on issues related to addressing cyberthreats. Over four very rich and engaging sessions, parliamentarians highlighted the importance of whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches to strengthening cybersecurity and combating cybercrime, as well as the need to advance effective and efficient regional and international cooperation in these areas.

A strong call was made for parliamentarians to continue and strengthen their engagement with the IGF, take part in national and regional IGF initiatives, and consider the work carried out in these fora as resources to inform their parliamentary discussions and activities.

These and other messages are reflected in an output document which is intended to inform parliamentary action in the years to come.

**Toolkit for Parliamentarians**

The IGF Secretariat published a Guide to Key Digital Policy Issues and Related Processes and Organisations: Toolkit for Parliamentarians, intended to:

- Provide MPs with an overview of the IGF ecosystem and its relevance for parliamentary activities.
- Serve as a toolkit to assist MPs navigate several key Internet and digital policy issues (i.e. focus areas) – envisioned to be covered by the GDC and discussed at IGF 2022 – as well as related processes and organisations.

10 IGF 2022 Intersessional Work

10.1 Policy Networks

The Policy Network (PNs) are dedicated to identifying status quo and current issues including the policy gaps, existing capacity and conditions, local specificities, good and bad practices and possible ways forward through actionable activities led by identified implementation parties.

- **Policy Network on Meaningful Access**, looking at why achieving meaningful and universal Internet access remains so challenging.
- **Policy Network on Internet Fragmentation**, exploring technical, policy, legal and regulatory measures and actions that pose a risk to the open, interconnected and interoperable Internet.
10.2 Best Practice Forums

The Best Practice Forums (BPFs) provide a platform to exchange experiences in addressing Internet policy issues. The objective is to collect existing and emerging good practices from community experience.

BPFs are open, bottom-up and collective processes to produce community-driven outputs. BPF outputs intend to contribute to an understanding of global good practice, and to serve as a resource to inform policy discussions, standards development, business decisions, as well as public understanding, awareness, and discourse.

- **Best Practice Forum on Cybersecurity** has continued identifying further cybersecurity initiatives to bring the voices of those most affected by cybersecurity events forward and to analyse the complex interplay between norms and cybercrime legislation.
- **Best Practice Forum on Gender and Digital Rights** looked at the impact of regulations from a gender justice perspective. It generated conversations with people who are affected by these regulatory practices and assessed the impacts of the diminishing privacy and hyper-fiscalizations of women and LGBTQ+ people online.

10.3 Dynamic Coalitions

Dynamic Coalitions (DCs) are open, multistakeholder and community-driven groups dedicated to an internet governance issue or set of issues. They emerged at the first IGF meeting in 2006. Currently there are 24 active dynamic coalitions focused on topics such as Internet rights and principles, innovative approaches to connecting the unconnected, accessibility and disability, and child online safety. The activities of the DCs are coordinated by the Dynamic Coalition Coordination Group (DCCG) with aid from the IGF Secretariat.

At IGF 2022, 20 DCs held individual sessions to discuss Internet policy issues within their focus and present their work. A DC main session on the theme Our Digital Future: How IGF Dynamic Coalitions Support the Global Digital Compact showcased how coalitions can contribute to the development of an IGF+, as set out by the UN Secretary-General’s Roadmap on Digital Cooperation, and the principles of the Global Digital Compact.

10.4 National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives

National and Regional IGF Initiatives (NRIs) are organic and independent multistakeholder networks that discuss issues pertaining to Internet Governance from the perspective of their respective communities, while acting in accordance with the main principles of the global IGF. To date, 155 NRIs are recognized by the IGF Secretariat.

At the 17th IGF in Ethiopia, over 100 NRIs co-organized seven sessions, including five thematic collaborative sessions, main session and a coordination session. Specifically, the main session focused on safeguarding and strengthening the core principles of a trusted Internet, while the coordination session emphasized the need for more sustainability in stakeholder engagement, cooperation and funding for the NRIs in order to build a more stable IG(F) ecosystem. The collaborative sessions unpacked local specificities on access, data governance, child online safety,
WSIS+20 review and role of the Internet for democracy. More information about the NRIs sessions is available at the IGF website.

10.5 Other Sessions Accommodated in the IGF 2022 Programme

The IGF 2022 Programme, in addition to the above mentioned tracks, accommodated several other types of sessions, including:

- **Open Forums**, sessions organised by governments, treaty-based international organisations, and global organisations with international scope and presence, with operations across regions, dealing with Internet governance issues;
- **Town Halls**, sessions organised by entities dealing with Internet governance issues of international scope;
- **Launches and Awards**, sessions to present and discuss Internet governance-related academic and/or research initiatives or outputs such as research or think tank work, book launches and similar;
- **Lightning Talks**, brief, to-the-point, prepared presentation on a specific Internet governance issue;
- **Networking Sessions**, gatherings of stakeholders interested in a same or similar issue; icebreaker sessions; social gatherings; gatherings of people and organisations from a particular region, stakeholder group, or area of activity;
- **Pre-events**, sessions hosted on the day before the IGF official programme begins (28 November).

11 Annex A: IGF 2022 Statistics

11.1 Breakdown of Registrations

The 17th IGF annual meeting gathered 5,120 participants. Below are the breakdowns by stakeholder and regional groups.

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<td>Western European and Others Group (WEOG)</td>
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Preliminary statistics as of 1 December 2022. Final statistics to be published in the next days.
Compared to IGF 2021, this year’s IGF saw an increase in representation of Governments (+10%), intergovernmental organisation (+3%); in representation of stakeholders from Africa (+25%), Asia Pacific (2%); and GRULAC (+2%). The number of stakeholders from Eastern Europe decreased (-28%).

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11.2 Remote Hubs

34 remote hubs at IGF 2022 from 21 countries

Represented 5 regions
- 67% from Africa
- 12% from WEOG
- 9% from Asia Pacific
- 9% from Latin America and Caribbean
- 3% from Eastern Europe

11.3 Sessions

293 sessions at IGF 2022

- 1 Opening Session
- 1 Opening Ceremony
- 5 Main Sessions
- 79 Workshops
- 45 Open Forums
- 29 Town Halls
- 10 Launches and Awards
- 31 Lightning Talks
- 11 Networking Sessions
- 20 DC Sessions
- 7 NRI Collaborative Sessions
- 31 Pre-Events (Day 0 Sessions)
- 5 High-level Leaders Track
- 4 Parliamentary Track sessions
11.4 Preparation

IGF 2022 preparation
- 40 Members of the Multistakeholder Advisory Group (MAG)
- 2 Open Consultation and MAG Meetings
- 38 Virtual MAG and MAG-WG meetings
- 4 MAG Working Groups

12 Annex B: Documentation and Process

IGF 2022 host country website
https://www.igf2022.et/
IGF Website
https://www.intgovforum.org

12.1 IGF 2022 Outputs

IGF 2022 outputs, including IGF 2022 messages, session reports, press releases, and IGF participant statements, can be found at:

https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/igf-2022-outputs

12.2 IGF 2022 Session Reports, Recordings and Transcripts

Recordings  https://www.youtube.com/user/igf/videos

12.3 IGF 2022 Intersessional Work

https://www.intgovforum.org
The community-led *intersessional activities* that occur throughout the year offer the IGF community the opportunity to work on substantive and concrete longer-term projects in the field of Internet governance:

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### Dynamic Coalitions (DCs)

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National, Regional and Youth IGF Initiatives (NRIs)

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The status of NRIs in 2022:

- 155 NRIs recognised in total
- 100+ NRIs represented at IGF 2022
- 14 more countries/regions have established IGF processes since IGF 2022

Below are the sources to find more information about the NRIs and their work:

About the NRIs: https://www.intgovforum.org/en/content/national-and-regional-igf-initiatives
12.4 IGF 2022 Preparatory Process

The IGF meeting programme is prepared by the MAG and the IGF Secretariat over the course of the year. Key decisions on the programme are taken in the face-to-face meetings as well as regular virtual meetings of the MAG leading into the IGF.

Following a traditional approach, the process was triggered by a public call for inputs which helped identification of the main themes. These were developed by the MAG based on input and contributions submitted by the community. The programme for IGF 2022 was then built around the five main themes which were prioritised through the public call and aligned with the themes of the Global Digital Compact.

Key elements of the preparatory processes included:

- A call to Take Stock of IGF 2021 and Suggest Improvements for IGF 2022 was open until 20 January. The contributions were summarised in a synthesis output document.
- A call for thematic inputs was open until 14 February. The list of received inputs and an analysis are available.
- The MAG identified main themes during its first MAG meeting and open consultations.
- A call for session proposals was open until 10 June, inviting all stakeholders to consider applying for the type(s) of session that best fit their interests.

In addition to the overall collective work, the MAG worked on particular segments of the Forum’s preparations to advance the overall process through four working groups:

| Working Group on Outreach, Engagement and Communications (WG-OEC) | https://www.intgovforum.org/content/working-group-on-outreach-and-engagement-wg-oe-0 |
| Working Group on Hybrid Meetings (WG-Hybrid) | https://www.intgovforum.org/content/working-group-on-hybrid-meetings-wg-hybrid |
| Working Group on Workshop Process (WG-WSP) | https://www.intgovforum.org/content/working-group-on-workshop-review-and-evaluation-process-wg-wrep |